Agenda WUV April Meeting

April 3, 2018

Vermont Law School, Yates Room

8:30 Registration, Coffee and Pastries

9:00 Reconnecting Vermont's Rivers, Mike Kline, Rivers Program, DEC

9:30 Concurrent Sessions

Session A: Agriculture: working with farmers on water quality and watershed protection

Panelists: Marli Rupe, DEC; Ben Gabos, AAFM/NRCS; Marina Welch, White River NRCD; Katherine Adams, Connecticut River Watershed Farmers’ Alliance

Session B: Communications: The Role of Storytelling in Science Communications

Eve Frankel: Director of Strategic Communications, The Nature Conservancy

10:30 Landowner Outreach. Mary Russ and Greg Russ, White River Partnership; Hilary Solomon, Poultney-Mettowee Conservation District

11:30 Lunch

12:30 Riparian Buffer Planting Training. Classroom and Field Component

Workshop Leaders: Mary Russ, White River Partnership and Hilary Solomon, Poultney-Mettowee Conservation District.

Mary and Hilary will lead a three-hour classroom and field training workshop. The training will both provide groups new to riparian buffer planting with the tools needed to start a planting program and also provide more experienced groups with an opportunity to gain new ideas and work through common issues. The training will have a classroom and field component.  Topics included: site selection, designing planting plans, methods, funding opportunities, working with volunteers, challenges and opportunities.

3:30 Wrap-up